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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed September 27, 2004, Applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration as further elaborated upon below.

I. INTRODUCTION

Claims 11-16 and 19-23 are presently pending in this application. Applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims.

II. CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 11-13, 16 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Douglass et al. in view of Avila. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on this day of November, 2004.

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